

THE FIFTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST
SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023



Worship is from the Red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) & the Blue Hymnal. Child Care is available in the Nursery.

Organ Prelude: Prelude on "God of our fathers, whose almighty hand," *Flor Peeters (1903-1986)*

Entrance Hymn: God of our Fathers, whose almighty hand, *National Hymn* Hymn 718

Opening Sentences *Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355*

Gloria: *Robert Jennings Powell* Hymn S-280

The Collect of the Day: Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear

God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place “The Lord will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 13 *Usquequo, Domine?*

The congregation chants the Psalm to a simplified Anglican chant by Robert McCormick (b. 1978). (Change pitches after each | in the text).*



1 How long, O Lord?

will you forget me for | ever? *

how long will you hide your | face from me?

2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,

and grief in my heart, day after | day? *

how long shall my enemy triumph | over me?

3 Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my | God; *

give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in | death;

4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over | him," *

and my foes rejoice that I have | fallen.

5 But I put my trust in your | mercy; *

my heart is joyful because of your saving | help.

6 I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me | richly; *

I will praise the Name of the | Lord Most High.

The Second Lesson: Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you

are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn: Where cross the crowded ways of life, *Gardiner* *Hymn 609*

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon *The Reverend Peter R. Powell*

The Nicene Creed *BCP 358*

The Prayers of the People (Form III) *BCP 387*

The Confession of Sin *BCP 360*

The Peace: The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Welcome & Offertory Sentence

Anthem at the Offertory: Blessed be the God of Israel, words by Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1945),
music by Annabeth McLelland Gay (1925-2020), arranged by Jeffrey Hoffman (b. 1970)

Offertory Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, *Old 100th* *Hymn 380 (vs. 3)*

The Holy Eucharist: Prayer A *BCP 361*

Sanctus et Benedictus, *Robert J. Powell* *Hymn S-129*

Agnus Dei, *Robert J. Powell* *Hymn S-163*

Communion Hymn: Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face, *Nyack* *Hymn 318*

Post Communion Prayer & Blessing *BCP 366*

Processional Hymn: O beautiful for spacious skies, *Materna,* *Hymn 719*

Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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The Ficus plants on the Altar are given to the Glory of God.

